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Federal Communications Commission
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Washington, D.C. 20554

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Re

In the Matter of Amendment of Section 73.202(b)

Table of Allotments FM Broadcast Stations
Whippoorwill Creek Broadcasting

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Des Arc, Arkansas

MM Docket No.:

Dear Mr. Caton:

Transmitted herewith on behalf of Whippoorwill Creek Broadcasting are an original and four (4) copies of a "Petition for Rulemaking" as directed to the Allocations Branch.

Should any additional information be required, please contact this office.

Very truly yours,

Henry E. Crawford

Counsel for

Whippoorwill Creek Broadcasting

cc: The Allocations Branch

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Table FM E	ndment of Section 73.202(b) e of Allotments Broadcast Stations Arc, Arkansas))))	RM No.		
То:	The Allocations Branch Policy and Rules Division Mass Media Bureau				

PETITION FOR RULEMAKING

Whippoorwill Creek Broadcasting ("Whippoorwill"), by counsel, hereby petitions the Federal Communications Commission for the initiation of a rulemaking proceeding to amend the FM Table of Allotments, Section 73.202 of the Commission's Rules, to assign FM Channel 284A to the community of Des Arc, Arkansas, as follows:

City	Present	Proposed
Des Arc, Arkansas	None	284A

1. As indicated in the attached Engineering Statement (attached hereto as Exhibit 1), Channel 284A can be assigned to Des Arc in complete compliance with the Commission's distance separation requirements as contained in 47 CFR §73.207. The reference coordinates: 34-59-09 N 91-25-59 W will show the 70dbu (city grade contour) entirely encompassing the city of Des Arc, Arkansas. Moreover, there is a wide area available for placing an appropriate transmitter.

- 2. Des Arc is a city in Prairie County, Arkansas. According to the 1997 Rand McNally Atlas, Des Arc has a population of 2,001 persons. Des Arc is located on the White River in East Central Arkansas, between Little Rock (54 Miles) and Memphis (75 Miles) and 12 miles north of I-40. Des Arc has been designated as a Federal enterprise zone. At present, the community is not receiving community service from any aural service. Therefore, the public interest will be served by the assignment of Channel 284A to Des Arc, Arkansas.
- 3. If the Commission assigns Channel 284A to Des Arc, Arkansas, Whippoorwill will apply for a construction permit and will construct a new facility upon award of that permit.

WHEREFORE, in accordance with the above, Whippoorwill Creek
Broadcasting respectfully requests that Channel 284A be assigned to Des Arc,
Arkansas.

October 31, 1996

Law Offices of Henry E. Crawford, Esq. 1150 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. Suite 900 Washington, D.C. 20036 (202) 862-4395 Respectfully Submitted,

Whippoorwill Creek Broadcasting

Its Attorney

Wippoorwill Creek Broadcasting Petition for Rulemaking October 31, 1996

EXHIBIT 1

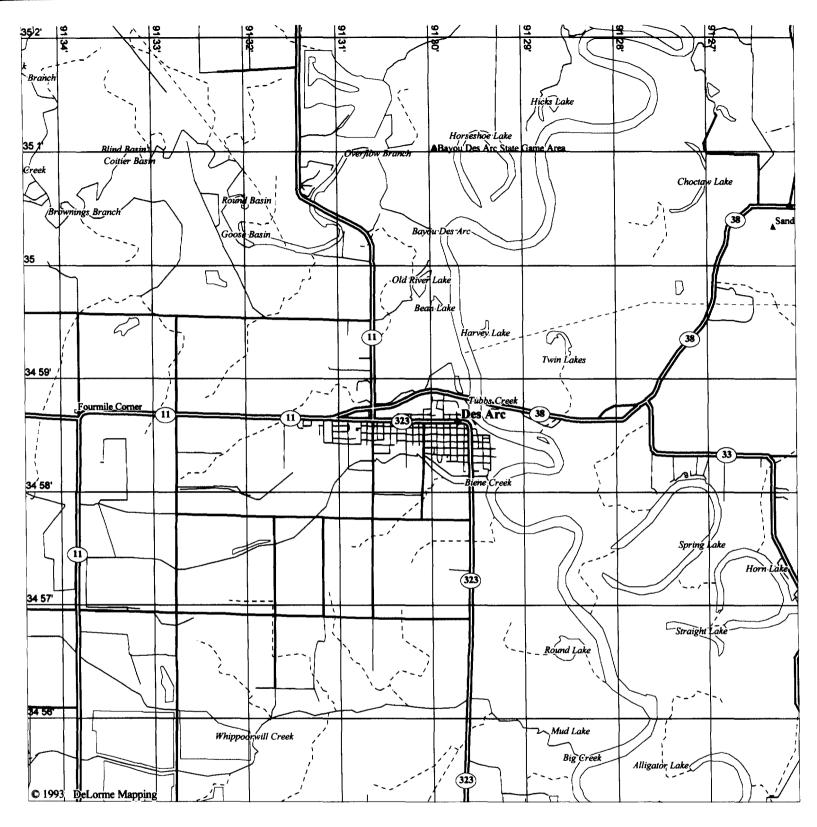
Des Arc AR Ch. 284A

REFERENCE 34 59 09 N 91 25 59 W

CLASS = A Current Spacings DISPLAY DATES
DATA 10-25-96
SEARCH 10-30-96

Channel	284	_	104	. 7	MHz
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.0 -0.47
.0 2.89
.0 5.11
.0 8.58
.0 9.65
.0 10.64
.0 10.67
.0 10.80
.0 11.40
.0 15.13
.0 15.18
.0 24.05
.0 31.36
.0 31.43
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LEGEND

State Route

□ Geo Feature

♦ Town, Small City

▲ Hill

♠ Park

County Boundary
Population Center

___ Street, Road

	Major Street/Road
	State Route

____ River

--- Intermittent River

--- Utility (powerline)

Open Water

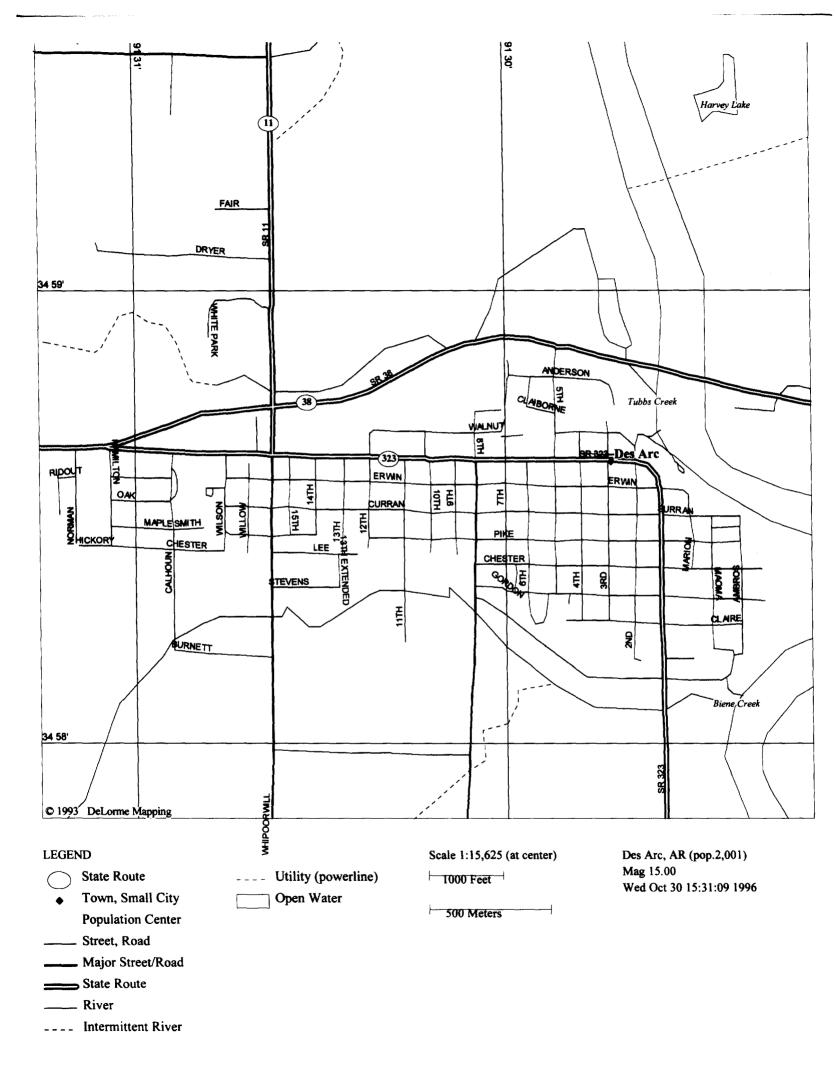
Land Mass

Scale 1:62,500 (at center)

1 Miles

2 KM

Des Arc, AR (pop.2,001) Mag 13.00 Wed Oct 30 15:33:14 1996



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Henry E. Crawford, do hereby certify that copies of the foregoing Petition for Rulemaking have been served by United States mail, postage prepaid this 31st day of October, 1996 upon the following:

> *Sharon P. McDonald Allocations Branch, Mass Media Bureau Federal Communications Commission 2000 M Street, N.W., 5th Floor Washington, D.C. 20554

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